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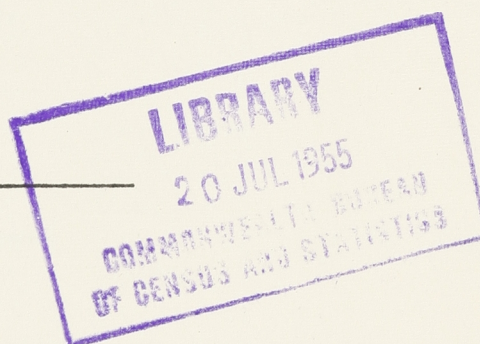
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This Bulletin contains an analysis, in summary form, of the non-indigenous population and dwellings in the Territory of Papua and New Guinea as enumerated at the Census of 30th June, 1954.

The population is classified according to age, conjugal condition, birthplace, period of residence in Papua and New Guinea of persons born outside the Territory, nationality, religion, industry and occupational status. Dwellings are classified according to class (i.e., private house, flat, etc.,) material of outer walls, number of rooms, number of inmates and nature of occupancy.

Each major table provides information according to one particular characteristic (e.g., for the population, according to age, conjugal condition, etc., and for dwellings, according to number of rooms, number of inmates, etc.). At a later stage more detailed analyses will be published showing particulars of both population and dwellings in a series of cross tabulations, (e.g., the numbers of persons in the various industries according to their age groups, and the numbers of dwellings according to both numbers of rooms and inmates, etc.).

All information in this Bulletin is exclusive of particulars of the indigenous population of the Territory (i.e., aboriginal natives of Papua and New Guinea), Australian aboriginals, Solomon Islanders, and certain other aboriginal natives of Pacific islands.

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PART A. - NON-INDIGENOUS POPULATION OF THE TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA.CENSUS 30TH JUNE, 1954.

1. Population and Dwellings in Districts. The following table sets out details of the population and occupied dwellings in each district of Papua and New Guinea at 30th June, 1954. Totals are also shown for each Territory as at 30th June, 1947.

TABLE 1. - TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA: POPULATION AND OCCUPIED DWELLINGS,  
CENSUS 30TH JUNE, 1954.  
(Exclusive of Indigenous Population)

| PAPUA.                    |       |         |         |                                |                                |
|---------------------------|-------|---------|---------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| District, etc.            | Males | Females | Persons |                                | Total<br>Occupied<br>Dwellings |
|                           |       |         | Total   | Proportion<br>of<br>Total<br>% |                                |
| Central                   | 2,781 | 1,835   | 4,616   | 73.12                          | 1,194                          |
| Gulf                      | 170   | 57      | 227     | 3.60                           | 62                             |
| Milne Bay                 | 328   | 292     | 620     | 9.82                           | 205                            |
| Northern                  | 87    | 50      | 137     | 2.17                           | 60                             |
| Southern Highlands        | 37    | 15      | 52      | 0.82                           | 20                             |
| Western                   | 203   | 126     | 329     | 5.21                           | 64                             |
| Shipping                  | 261   | 71      | 332     | 5.26                           | -                              |
| Total, Papua, 1954 Census | 3,867 | 2,446   | 6,313   | 100.00                         | 1,605                          |
| Total, Papua, 1947 Census | 2,057 | 1,182   | 3,239   | -                              | 770                            |

| NEW GUINEA.                       |       |         |         |                                |                                |
|-----------------------------------|-------|---------|---------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| District, etc.                    | Males | Females | Persons |                                | Total<br>Occupied<br>Dwellings |
|                                   |       |         | Total   | Proportion<br>of<br>Total<br>% |                                |
| Bougainville                      | 184   | 136     | 320     | 2.80                           | 129                            |
| Eastern Highlands                 | 232   | 135     | 367     | 3.21                           | 138                            |
| Madang                            | 554   | 398     | 952     | 8.32                           | 299                            |
| Manus                             | 669   | 171     | 840     | 7.34                           | 118                            |
| Morobe                            | 1,918 | 1,206   | 3,124   | 27.30                          | 902                            |
| New Britain                       | 2,232 | 1,624   | 3,856   | 33.70                          | 1,025                          |
| New Ireland                       | 455   | 258     | 713     | 6.23                           | 244                            |
| Sepik                             | 306   | 154     | 460     | 4.02                           | 158                            |
| Western Highlands                 | 132   | 103     | 235     | 2.05                           | 85                             |
| Shipping                          | 519   | 56      | 575     | 5.03                           | -                              |
| Total, New Guinea,<br>1954 Census | 7,201 | 4,241   | 11,442  | 100.00                         | 3,098                          |
| Total, New Guinea<br>1947 Census  | 4,369 | 1,831   | 6,200   | -                              | 1,391                          |

The total non-indigenous population of Papua and New Guinea has increased since the 1947 Census by 88 per cent. from 9,439 persons to 17,755 persons. The increase was proportionately greater in Papua than in New Guinea (95 per cent. as compared with 85 per cent.). Males showed an increase of 72 per cent. for Papua and New Guinea combined, and females an increase of 122 per cent. The proportion of females to the total population increased from 32 per cent. to 38 per cent.



2. Age. - The following table shows the numbers of each sex in each five year age group for Papua and for New Guinea at the Census of 1954, and the total number of persons in each age group for Papua and New Guinea combined at the Census of 1947.

TABLE 2. - TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA: AGE DISTRIBUTION OF THE POPULATION AT THE CENSUSES OF 1947 AND 1954.  
(Exclusive of Indigenous Population)

| Age last Birthday (years) | Papua. |         |         | New Guinea. |         |         | Total, Papua and New Guinea. |         |         |                     |
|---------------------------|--------|---------|---------|-------------|---------|---------|------------------------------|---------|---------|---------------------|
|                           | Males  | Females | Persons | Males       | Females | Persons | Males                        | Females | Persons | Total Persons, 1947 |
| 0- 4                      | 394    | 378     | 772     | 737         | 710     | 1,447   | 1,131                        | 1,088   | 2,219   | 716                 |
| 5- 9                      | 268    | 259     | 527     | 527         | 452     | 979     | 795                          | 711     | 1,506   | 695                 |
| 10-14                     | 111    | 121     | 232     | 291         | 257     | 548     | 402                          | 378     | 780     | 489                 |
| 15-19                     | 89     | 84      | 173     | 200         | 171     | 371     | 289                          | 255     | 544     | 664                 |
| 20-24                     | 431    | 199     | 630     | 879         | 343     | 1,222   | 1,310                        | 542     | 1,852   | 1,326               |
| 25-29                     | 735    | 318     | 1,053   | 1,160       | 554     | 1,714   | 1,895                        | 872     | 2,767   | 1,145               |
| 30-34                     | 567    | 323     | 890     | 880         | 489     | 1,369   | 1,447                        | 812     | 2,259   | 958                 |
| 35-39                     | 354    | 228     | 582     | 665         | 347     | 1,012   | 1,019                        | 575     | 1,594   | 845                 |
| 40-44                     | 291    | 159     | 450     | 510         | 272     | 782     | 801                          | 431     | 1,232   | 712                 |
| 45-49                     | 231    | 142     | 373     | 410         | 228     | 638     | 641                          | 370     | 1,011   | 591                 |
| 50-54                     | 170    | 89      | 259     | 341         | 152     | 493     | 511                          | 241     | 752     | 415                 |
| 55-59                     | 101    | 56      | 157     | 238         | 111     | 349     | 339                          | 167     | 506     | 336                 |
| 60-64                     | 47     | 38      | 85      | 172         | 76      | 248     | 219                          | 114     | 333     | 213                 |
| 65 & over                 | 78     | 52      | 130     | 191         | 79      | 270     | 269                          | 131     | 400     | 193                 |
| Not Stated                | -      | -       | -       | -           | -       | -       | -                            | -       | -       | 141                 |
| Total                     | 3,867  | 2,446   | 6,313   | 7,201       | 4,241   | 11,442  | 11,068                       | 6,687   | 17,755  | 9,439               |
| Under 21                  | 896    | 859     | 1,755   | 1,842       | 1,647   | 3,489   | 2,738                        | 2,506   | 5,244   | 2,846               |
| 21-49                     | 2,575  | 1,352   | 3,927   | 4,417       | 2,176   | 6,593   | 6,992                        | 3,528   | 10,520  | 5,295               |
| 50 & over                 | 396    | 235     | 631     | 942         | 418     | 1,360   | 1,338                        | 653     | 1,991   | 1,157               |
| Not Stated                | -      | -       | -       | -           | -       | -       | -                            | -       | -       | 141                 |
| Total                     | 3,867  | 2,446   | 6,313   | 7,201       | 4,241   | 11,442  | 11,068                       | 6,687   | 17,755  | 9,439               |

In 1954, 21 per cent. of the non-indigenous population of Papua and New Guinea was under 10 years of age, compared with 15 per cent. in 1947. Increases occurred in all age groups except the 15-19 years group which decreased from 664 persons in 1947 to 544 persons in 1954. The largest increase was in the 0-4 years group (210 per cent.). The proportion of the population under 21 years (about 30 per cent.) showed little change, the proportion between 21 and 49 increased from 56 to 59 per cent.; and the proportion 50 years and over decreased from 12 to 11 per cent.

3. Conjugal Condition. - The following table shows the population of Papua and New Guinea classified according to sex and conjugal condition.

TABLE 3. - TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA: CONJUGAL CONDITION OF THE POPULATION AT THE CENSUSES OF 1947 AND 1954.  
(Exclusive of Indigenous Population)

| Conjugal Condition       | Papua. |         |         | New Guinea. |         |         | Total, Papua and New Guinea. |         |         |                     |
|--------------------------|--------|---------|---------|-------------|---------|---------|------------------------------|---------|---------|---------------------|
|                          | Males  | Females | Persons | Males       | Females | Persons | Males                        | Females | Persons | Total Persons, 1947 |
| Never Married -          |        |         |         |             |         |         |                              |         |         |                     |
| Under 15 years of age    | 773    | 758     | 1,531   | 1,555       | 1,419   | 2,974   | 2,328                        | 2,177   | 4,505   | 1,900               |
| 15 years of age and over | 1,413  | 433     | 1,846   | 2,487       | 664     | 3,151   | 3,900                        | 1,097   | 4,997   | 3,125               |
| Total                    | 2,186  | 1,191   | 3,377   | 4,042       | 2,083   | 6,125   | 6,228                        | 3,274   | 9,502   | 5,025               |



TABLE 3. - CONJUGAL CONDITION (Contd.).

| Conjugal Condition                | Papua. |         |         | New Guinea. |         |         | Total, Papua and New Guinea. |         |         |                     |
|-----------------------------------|--------|---------|---------|-------------|---------|---------|------------------------------|---------|---------|---------------------|
|                                   | Males  | Females | Persons | Males       | Females | Persons | Males                        | Females | Persons | Total Persons, 1947 |
| Married                           | 1,471  | 1,119   | 2,590   | 2,774       | 1,932   | 4,706   | 4,245                        | 3,051   | 7,296   | 3,745               |
| Married but permanently separated | 83     | 33      | 116     | 142         | 38      | 180     | 225                          | 71      | 296     | 139                 |
| Widowed                           | 32     | 77      | 109     | 105         | 159     | 264     | 137                          | 236     | 373     | 295                 |
| Divorced                          | 83     | 21      | 104     | 121         | 26      | 147     | 204                          | 47      | 251     | 92                  |
| Not Stated                        | 12     | 5       | 17      | 17          | 3       | 20      | 29                           | 8       | 37      | 143                 |
| Total                             | 3,867  | 2,446   | 6,313   | 7,201       | 4,241   | 11,442  | 11,068                       | 6,687   | 17,755  | 9,439               |

At the Census of 1954, about 53 per cent. of the total non-indigenous population of Papua and New Guinea stated their conjugal condition as never married (the same proportion as in 1947); 43 per cent. as married (including 1.7 per cent. married but permanently separated); 2.1 per cent. as widowed and 1.4 per cent. as divorced. In 1947, 41 per cent. of the population of Papua and New Guinea described themselves as married (including 1.5 per cent. married but permanently separated); 3.1 per cent. as widowed and one per cent. as divorced.

4. Birthplace. - The following table shows the birthplaces of the population of the Territory of Papua and New Guinea at the Censuses of 1947 and 1954.

TABLE 4. - TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA: BIRTHPLACES OF THE POPULATION  
AT THE CENSUSES OF 1947 AND 1954.  
(Exclusive of Indigenous Population)

| Birthplace              | Papua. |         |         | New Guinea. |         |         | Total, Papua and New Guinea. |         |         |                     |
|-------------------------|--------|---------|---------|-------------|---------|---------|------------------------------|---------|---------|---------------------|
|                         | Males  | Females | Persons | Males       | Females | Persons | Males                        | Females | Persons | Total Persons, 1947 |
| Australasia -           |        |         |         |             |         |         |                              |         |         |                     |
| Australia               | 2,157  | 1,384   | 3,541   | 3,405       | 1,881   | 5,286   | 5,562                        | 3,265   | 8,827   | 4,205               |
| Papua                   | 686    | 694     | 1,380   | 79          | 56      | 135     | 765                          | 750     | 1,515   | 833                 |
| New Guinea              | 38     | 23      | 61      | 1,627       | 1,470   | 3,097   | 1,665                        | 1,493   | 3,158   | 1,826               |
| New Zealand             | 75     | 40      | 115     | 105         | 58      | 163     | 180                          | 98      | 278     | 116                 |
| Other                   | 6      | 2       | 8       | -           | 1       | 1       | 6                            | 3       | 9       | 2                   |
| Total Australasia       | 2,962  | 2,143   | 5,105   | 5,216       | 3,466   | 8,682   | 8,178                        | 5,609   | 13,787  | 6,982               |
| Europe -                |        |         |         |             |         |         |                              |         |         |                     |
| England                 | 378    | 129     | 507     | 422         | 126     | 548     | 800                          | 255     | 1,055   | 473                 |
| Wales                   | 12     | 4       | 16      | 15          | 7       | 22      | 27                           | 11      | 38      | 15                  |
| Scotland                | 99     | 25      | 124     | 123         | 34      | 157     | 222                          | 59      | 281     | 126                 |
| Ireland                 | 37     | 15      | 52      | 53          | 8       | 61      | 90                           | 23      | 113     | 53                  |
| Austria                 | 4      | 2       | 6       | 19          | 6       | 25      | 23                           | 8       | 31      | 19                  |
| Czechoslovakia          | 14     | 4       | 18      | 18          | 7       | 25      | 32                           | 11      | 43      | 6                   |
| Denmark                 | 12     | -       | 12      | 8           | -       | 8       | 20                           | -       | 20      | 6                   |
| France                  | 48     | 28      | 76      | 8           | 15      | 23      | 56                           | 43      | 99      | 57                  |
| Germany                 | 50     | 7       | 57      | 172         | 112     | 284     | 222                          | 119     | 341     | 161                 |
| Hungary                 | 8      | 4       | 12      | 17          | 6       | 23      | 25                           | 10      | 35      | -                   |
| Italy                   | 9      | 2       | 11      | 47          | 5       | 52      | 56                           | 7       | 63      | 16                  |
| Netherlands             | 33     | 5       | 38      | 42          | 24      | 66      | 75                           | 29      | 104     | 34                  |
| Poland                  | 30     | 3       | 33      | 22          | 2       | 24      | 52                           | 5       | 57      | 9                   |
| Switzerland             | 22     | 4       | 26      | 8           | 2       | 10      | 30                           | 6       | 36      | 12                  |
| Other                   | 39     | 14      | 53      | 64          | 16      | 80      | 103                          | 30      | 133     | 45                  |
| Total Europe            | 795    | 246     | 1,041   | 1,038       | 370     | 1,408   | 1,833                        | 616     | 2,449   | 1,032               |
| Asia -                  |        |         |         |             |         |         |                              |         |         |                     |
| China                   | 7      | -       | 7       | 562         | 185     | 747     | 569                          | 185     | 754     | 655                 |
| Hong Kong               | 3      | 1       | 4       | 46          | 10      | 56      | 49                           | 11      | 60      | 14                  |
| India, Pakistan, Ceylon | 25     | 15      | 40      | 59          | 19      | 78      | 84                           | 34      | 118     | 50                  |
| Indonesia               | 6      | 1       | 7       | 27          | 14      | 41      | 33                           | 15      | 48      | 25                  |
| Other                   | 6      | 7       | 13      | 21          | 14      | 35      | 27                           | 21      | 48      | 315                 |
| Total Asia              | 47     | 24      | 71      | 715         | 242     | 957     | 762                          | 266     | 1,028   | 1,059               |
| Africa -                |        |         |         |             |         |         |                              |         |         |                     |
| Union of South Africa   | 8      | 3       | 11      | 5           | -       | 5       | 13                           | 3       | 16      | 10                  |
| Other                   | 3      | 2       | 5       | 8           | 2       | 10      | 11                           | 4       | 15      | 5                   |
| Total Africa            | 11     | 5       | 16      | 13          | 2       | 15      | 24                           | 7       | 31      | 15                  |



TABLE 4. - BIRTHPLACES (Contd.).

| Birthplace      | Papua. |         |         | New Guinea. |         |         | Total, Papua and New Guinea. |         |         |                     |
|-----------------|--------|---------|---------|-------------|---------|---------|------------------------------|---------|---------|---------------------|
|                 | Males  | Females | Persons | Males       | Females | Persons | Males                        | Females | Persons | Total Persons, 1947 |
| America -       |        |         |         |             |         |         |                              |         |         |                     |
| Canada          | 12     | 5       | 17      | 18          | 12      | 30      | 30                           | 17      | 47      | 25                  |
| United States   | 18     | 6       | 24      | 153         | 111     | 264     | 171                          | 117     | 288     | 200                 |
| Other           | 2      | -       | 2       | 3           | 4       | 7       | 5                            | 4       | 9       | 7                   |
| Total America   | 32     | 11      | 43      | 174         | 127     | 301     | 206                          | 138     | 344     | 232                 |
| Polynesia -     |        |         |         |             |         |         |                              |         |         |                     |
| Fiji            | 8      | 2       | 10      | 8           | 9       | 17      | 16                           | 11      | 27      | 22                  |
| Other           | 12     | 15      | 27      | 37          | 25      | 62      | 49                           | 40      | 89      | 95                  |
| Total Polynesia | 20     | 17      | 37      | 45          | 34      | 79      | 65                           | 51      | 116     | 117                 |
| Other           | -      | -       | -       | -           | -       | -       | -                            | -       | -       | 2                   |
| GRAND TOTAL     | 3,867  | 2,446   | 6,313   | 7,201       | 4,241   | 11,442  | 11,068                       | 6,687   | 17,755  | 9,439               |

At 30th June, 1954, persons born in the Territory of Papua and New Guinea represented 26 per cent. of the non-indigenous population, compared with 28 per cent. in 1947. Persons born in Australia constituted 50 per cent. of the population in 1954 (45 per cent. in 1947); the United Kingdom and Ireland 8 per cent. (7 per cent.); Germany 1.9 per cent. (1.7 per cent.); other European countries 3.5 per cent. (2.2 per cent.); China 4.2 per cent. (6.9 per cent.); other Asiatic countries 1.5 per cent. (4.3 per cent.); the United States of America 1.6 per cent. (2.1 per cent.).

The numbers of persons born in the Territory of Papua and New Guinea showed an increase of 2,014 in 1954 as compared with the 1947 Census figure.

The largest increases in numbers of persons born outside the Territory occurred in respect of the following countries:- Australia, 4,622 persons; United Kingdom and Ireland, 820 persons; Germany, 180 persons; New Zealand, 162 persons; China, 99 persons.

Of the Australian-born persons in the Territory at the 1954 Census, 63 per cent. were males, as compared with 73 per cent. in 1947. Of the Territory-born residents in 1954, 52 per cent. were males (53 per cent. in 1947).

5. Period of Residence of Persons born outside the Territory.- At the Census of 30th June, 1954, there were 13,082 persons in Papua and New Guinea, or almost 74 per cent., who were born outside the Territory; of this total, 7,500 persons (57 per cent.) had resided in Papua and New Guinea for less than 5 years, 10,380 persons (79 per cent.) for less than 15 years and 1,986 persons (15 per cent.) for 15 years or more. The remaining 716 persons (5.5 per cent.) did not state a period of residence. In 1947 the respective figures were:- less than 5 years, 3,718 persons (55 per cent.); less than 15 years, 4,994 persons (74 per cent.) and 15 years or more, 1,459 persons (22 per cent.). The remaining 327 persons (4.8 per cent.) did not state a period of residence.

TABLE 5. - TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA: PERIOD OF RESIDENCE OF PERSONS BORN OUTSIDE THE TERRITORY.  
(Exclusive of Indigenous Population)

| Period of Residence              | Papua. |         |         | New Guinea. |         |         | Papua and New Guinea. |         |         |                     |
|----------------------------------|--------|---------|---------|-------------|---------|---------|-----------------------|---------|---------|---------------------|
|                                  | Males  | Females | Persons | Males       | Females | Persons | Males                 | Females | Persons | Total Persons, 1947 |
| Under 1 year                     | 1,036  | 416     | 1,452   | 1,618       | 498     | 2,116   | 2,654                 | 914     | 3,568   | 2,755               |
| 1 year and under 2 years         | 290    | 197     | 487     | 427         | 274     | 701     | 717                   | 471     | 1,188   | 665                 |
| 2 years " " 3 "                  | 261    | 162     | 423     | 377         | 246     | 623     | 638                   | 408     | 1,046   | 151                 |
| 3 " " " 4 "                      | 224    | 151     | 375     | 279         | 173     | 452     | 503                   | 324     | 827     | 85                  |
| 4 " " " 5 "                      | 217    | 111     | 328     | 336         | 207     | 543     | 553                   | 318     | 871     | 62                  |
| Total under 5 years              | 2,028  | 1,037   | 3,065   | 3,037       | 1,398   | 4,435   | 5,065                 | 2,435   | 7,500   | 3,718               |
| 5 years and under 6 years        | 164    | 102     | 266     | 303         | 175     | 478     | 467                   | 277     | 744     | 77                  |
| 6 " " " 7 "                      | 134    | 99      | 233     | 253         | 172     | 425     | 387                   | 271     | 658     | 95                  |
| 7 " " " 8 "                      | 133    | 98      | 231     | 258         | 158     | 416     | 391                   | 256     | 647     | 124                 |
| 8 " " " 9 " )                    | 212    | 100     | 312     | 361         | 158     | 519     | 573                   | 258     | 831     | ( 174               |
| 9 " " " 10 " )                   |        |         |         |             |         |         |                       |         |         | ( 199               |
| 10 " " " 15 " )                  |        |         |         |             |         |         |                       |         |         | ( 607               |
| Total 5 years and under 15 years | 643    | 399     | 1,042   | 1,175       | 663     | 1,838   | 1,818                 | 1,062   | 2,880   | 1,276               |
| 15 years and over                | 296    | 195     | 491     | 997         | 498     | 1,495   | 1,293                 | 693     | 1,986   | 1,459               |
| Not Stated                       | 176    | 98      | 274     | 286         | 156     | 442     | 462                   | 254     | 716     | 327                 |



TABLE 5. - PERIOD OF RESIDENCE (Contd.).

| Period of Residence               | Papua. |         |         | New Guinea. |         |         | Papua and New Guinea. |         |         | Total Persons, 1947 |
|-----------------------------------|--------|---------|---------|-------------|---------|---------|-----------------------|---------|---------|---------------------|
|                                   | Males  | Females | Persons | Males       | Females | Persons | Males                 | Females | Persons |                     |
| Born outside Papua and New Guinea | 3,143  | 1,729   | 4,872   | 5,495       | 2,715   | 8,210   | 8,638                 | 4,444   | 13,082  | 6,780               |
| Born in Papua and New Guinea      | 724    | 717     | 1,441   | 1,706       | 1,526   | 3,232   | 2,430                 | 2,243   | 4,673   | 2,659               |
| GRAND TOTAL                       | 3,867  | 2,446   | 6,313   | 7,201       | 4,241   | 11,442  | 11,068                | 6,687   | 17,755  | 9,439               |

6. Nationality (i.e. Allegiance). - At 30th June, 1954, 15,833 persons (or 89 per cent. of the Papua and New Guinea population) were of British nationality, compared with 70 per cent. in 1947. The number of foreign nationals decreased from 2,876 persons in 1947 to 1,922 persons at 30th June, 1954.

TABLE 6. - TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA: NATIONALITY (i.e. ALLEGIANCE) OF THE POPULATION AT THE CENSUSES OF 1947 AND 1954.  
(Exclusive of Indigenous Population)

| Nationality     | Papua. |         |         | New Guinea. |         |         | Papua and New Guinea. |         |         | Total Persons, 1947 |
|-----------------|--------|---------|---------|-------------|---------|---------|-----------------------|---------|---------|---------------------|
|                 | Males  | Females | Persons | Males       | Females | Persons | Males                 | Females | Persons |                     |
| British (a)     | 3,615  | 2,369   | 5,984   | 6,088       | 3,761   | 9,849   | 9,703                 | 6,130   | 15,833  | 6,563               |
| Foreign -       |        |         |         |             |         |         |                       |         |         |                     |
| American (U.S.) | 15     | 12      | 27      | 176         | 132     | 308     | 191                   | 144     | 335     | 237                 |
| Chinese         | 1      | -       | 1       | 574         | 192     | 766     | 575                   | 192     | 767     | 1,732               |
| Czechoslovak    | 7      | 2       | 9       | 10          | 3       | 13      | 17                    | 5       | 22      | 3                   |
| Dutch           | 32     | 5       | 37      | 61          | 28      | 89      | 93                    | 33      | 126     | 64                  |
| French          | 46     | 30      | 76      | 11          | 9       | 20      | 57                    | 39      | 96      | 53                  |
| German          | 45     | 2       | 47      | 125         | 74      | 199     | 170                   | 76      | 246     | 160                 |
| Italian         | 6      | 1       | 7       | 32          | 3       | 35      | 38                    | 4       | 42      | 5                   |
| Polish          | 18     | -       | 18      | 11          | -       | 11      | 29                    | -       | 29      | 7                   |
| Swiss           | 19     | 4       | 23      | 3           | 2       | 5       | 22                    | 6       | 28      | 9                   |
| Other           | 42     | 16      | 58      | 88          | 25      | 113     | 130                   | 41      | 171     | 295                 |
| Stateless       | 21     | 5       | 26      | 22          | 12      | 34      | 43                    | 17      | 60      | 311                 |
| Total Foreign   | 252    | 77      | 329     | 1,113       | 480     | 1,593   | 1,365                 | 557     | 1,922   | 2,876               |
| GRAND TOTAL     | 3,867  | 2,446   | 6,313   | 7,201       | 4,241   | 11,442  | 11,068                | 6,687   | 17,755  | 9,439               |

(a) "Irish" nationality is included with "British" nationality for the purpose of this table.

7. Religion. - The following table sets out particulars of the religions of those persons who answered this question (which was not obligatory), at the Censuses of 30th June, 1954 and 1947.

There were 2,312 persons or 13 per cent. of the non-indigenous population of Papua and New Guinea who gave no reply to this question in 1954 (compared with 1,737 or 18.4 per cent. in 1947).

The denominations with the largest number of stated adherents in 1954 were Roman Catholic and Catholic (so described), 5,465 persons; Church of England, 5,178; Methodist, 1,475; Presbyterian, 1,203; and Lutheran, 494.

The greatest numerical increase since 1947 was shown by adherents to the Church of England, whose numbers increased by 2,701 persons. This was followed by Roman Catholics and Catholics (so described), with an increase of 2,562 persons; Methodists, 791 persons; Presbyterians, 658 persons; and Lutherans, 302 persons.

Among the denominations with the largest number of stated adherents, the greatest proportional increases since 1947 were recorded by Presbyterian (121 per cent.); Methodist (116 per cent.); Church of England (109 per cent.); and Roman Catholic and Catholic (so described), (88 per cent.). Amongst the denominations with smaller numbers of adherents there were also some proportionally large increases.

Adherents of Christian religions represented more than 97 per cent. of all persons in Papua and New Guinea who stated their religion at the Census of 30th June, 1954. The proportion shown at the 1947 Census was less than 95 per cent.



TABLE 7. - TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA: RELIGIONS OF THE POPULATION  
AT THE CENSUSES OF 1947 AND 1954.  
(Exclusive of Indigenous Population)

| Religion                                      | Papua. |         |         | New Guinea. |         |         | Papua and New Guinea. |         |         | Total<br>Persons,<br>1947 |
|-----------------------------------------------|--------|---------|---------|-------------|---------|---------|-----------------------|---------|---------|---------------------------|
|                                               | Males  | Females | Persons | Males       | Females | Persons | Males                 | Females | Persons |                           |
| Christian -                                   |        |         |         |             |         |         |                       |         |         |                           |
| Baptist                                       | 53     | 31      | 84      | 65          | 41      | 106     | 118                   | 72      | 190     | 43                        |
| Brethren                                      | 4      | 3       | 7       | 12          | 13      | 25      | 16                    | 16      | 32      | 3                         |
| Catholic, Roman (a)                           | 842    | 542     | 1,384   | 1,483       | 969     | 2,452   | 2,325                 | 1,511   | 3,836   | 2,093                     |
| Catholic (a)                                  | 223    | 221     | 444     | 684         | 501     | 1,185   | 907                   | 722     | 1,629   | 810                       |
| Church of Christ                              | 6      | 6       | 12      | 18          | 12      | 30      | 24                    | 18      | 42      | 28                        |
| Church of England                             | 1,388  | 883     | 2,271   | 1,898       | 1,009   | 2,907   | 3,286                 | 1,892   | 5,178   | 2,477                     |
| Congregational                                | 133    | 135     | 268     | 38          | 22      | 60      | 171                   | 157     | 328     | 119                       |
| Greek Orthodox                                | 12     | 4       | 16      | 10          | 4       | 14      | 22                    | 8       | 30      | (b)                       |
| Lutheran                                      | 37     | 12      | 49      | 232         | 213     | 445     | 269                   | 225     | 494     | 192                       |
| Methodist                                     | 190    | 148     | 338     | 678         | 459     | 1,137   | 868                   | 607     | 1,475   | 684                       |
| Presbyterian                                  | 328    | 196     | 524     | 444         | 235     | 679     | 772                   | 431     | 1,203   | 545                       |
| Protestant (un-<br>defined)                   | 87     | 59      | 146     | 57          | 34      | 91      | 144                   | 93      | 237     | 129                       |
| Seventh Day<br>Adventist                      | 16     | 17      | 33      | 108         | 103     | 211     | 124                   | 120     | 244     | 99                        |
| Other (including<br>Christian unde-<br>fined) | 23     | 10      | 33      | 39          | 15      | 54      | 62                    | 25      | 87      | 74                        |
| Total, Christian                              | 3,342  | 2,267   | 5,609   | 5,766       | 3,630   | 9,396   | 9,108                 | 5,897   | 15,005  | 7,296                     |
| Total, Non-Christian                          | 3      | 3       | 6       | 91          | 14      | 105     | 94                    | 17      | 111     | 176                       |
| Indefinite                                    | 5      | 2       | 7       | 26          | 14      | 40      | 31                    | 16      | 47      | 49                        |
| No Religion                                   | 57     | 10      | 67      | 153         | 60      | 213     | 210                   | 70      | 280     | 181                       |
| No Reply                                      | 460    | 164     | 624     | 1,165       | 523     | 1,688   | 1,625                 | 687     | 2,312   | 1,737                     |
| GRAND TOTAL                                   | 3,867  | 2,446   | 6,313   | 7,201       | 4,241   | 11,442  | 11,068                | 6,687   | 17,755  | 9,439                     |

(a) So described in individual Census Schedules.

(b) Not available.

8. Industry. - The following table sets out the main groups of industry for male and female populations of the Territory of Papua and New Guinea at 30th June, 1954 and total persons at 30th June, 1947.

TABLE 8. - TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA: INDUSTRY OF THE POPULATION AT  
THE CENSUSES OF 1947 AND 1954.  
(Exclusive of Indigenous Population)

| Industry Group                               | Papua. |         |         | New Guinea. |         |         | Papua and New Guinea. |         |         | Total<br>Persons,<br>1947 |
|----------------------------------------------|--------|---------|---------|-------------|---------|---------|-----------------------|---------|---------|---------------------------|
|                                              | Males  | Females | Persons | Males       | Females | Persons | Males                 | Females | Persons |                           |
| Primary Production -                         |        |         |         |             |         |         |                       |         |         |                           |
| Agriculture, Graz-<br>ing and Dairying       | 213    | 12      | 225     | 525         | 21      | 546     | 738                   | 33      | 771     | 366                       |
| Fishing, Hunting,<br>Trapping, For-<br>estry | 11     | -       | 11      | 47          | -       | 47      | 58                    | -       | 58      | 36                        |
| Total Primary<br>Production                  | 224    | 12      | 236     | 572         | 21      | 593     | 796                   | 33      | 829     | 402                       |
| Mining and Quarrying -                       |        |         |         |             |         |         |                       |         |         |                           |
| Gold Mining                                  | 11     | -       | 11      | 340         | 19      | 359     | 351                   | 19      | 370     | 403                       |
| Oil Well Oper-<br>ations                     | 346    | 6       | 352     | 2           | -       | 2       | 348                   | 6       | 354     | 122                       |
| Other                                        | 10     | 1       | 11      | 3           | -       | 3       | 13                    | 1       | 14      | 33                        |
| Total Mining<br>and Quarrying                | 367    | 7       | 374     | 345         | 19      | 364     | 712                   | 26      | 738     | 558                       |



(8)  
TABLE 8. - INDUSTRY (Contd.).

| Industry Group                                                                                  | Papua. |         |         | New Guinea. |         |         | Papua and New Guinea. |         |         |                           |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------|---------|---------|-------------|---------|---------|-----------------------|---------|---------|---------------------------|
|                                                                                                 | Males  | Females | Persons | Males       | Females | Persons | Males                 | Females | Persons | Total<br>Persons,<br>1947 |
| Manufacturing -                                                                                 |        |         |         |             |         |         |                       |         |         |                           |
| Founding, Engin-<br>eering and<br>Metalworking                                                  | 29     | 2       | 31      | 54          | 3       | 57      | 83                    | 5       | 88      | (a)131                    |
| Manufacture, As-<br>sembly and Repair<br>of Ships, Vehicles,<br>Parts and Acces-<br>sories. (b) | 49     | 1       | 50      | 119         | 5       | 124     | 168                   | 6       | 174     | 3                         |
| Manufacture of<br>Clothing and<br>Knitted Goods                                                 | 2      | 7       | 9       | 25          | 10      | 35      | 27                    | 17      | 44      | 50                        |
| Manufacture of<br>Food, Drink<br>and Tobacco                                                    | 18     | 8       | 26      | 31          | 6       | 37      | 49                    | 14      | 63      | 27                        |
| Sawmilling                                                                                      | 28     | -       | 28      | 95          | 6       | 101     | 123                   | 6       | 129     | 43                        |
| Plywood Making                                                                                  | 1      | -       | 1       | 143         | 1       | 144     | 144                   | 1       | 145     | -                         |
| Other Manufac-<br>turing                                                                        | 42     | 4       | 46      | 78          | 5       | 83      | 120                   | 9       | 129     | (c)34                     |
| Total Manu-<br>facturing                                                                        | 169    | 22      | 191     | 545         | 36      | 581     | 714                   | 58      | 772     | 288                       |
| Electricity, Gas,<br>Water, etc. (pro-<br>duction, Supply<br>and Maintenance)                   | 53     | -       | 53      | 45          | -       | 45      | 98                    | -       | 98      | (c)                       |
| Building and Con-<br>struction -                                                                |        |         |         |             |         |         |                       |         |         |                           |
| Construction and<br>Repair of Build-<br>ings                                                    | 274    | 2       | 276     | 380         | 3       | 383     | 654                   | 5       | 659     | 244                       |
| Construction<br>Works (Other<br>than Buildings)                                                 | 190    | -       | 190     | 252         | -       | 252     | 442                   | -       | 442     | (c)181                    |
| Total Building<br>and Con-<br>struction                                                         | 464    | 2       | 466     | 632         | 3       | 635     | 1,096                 | 5       | 1,101   | 425                       |
| Transport and<br>Storage -                                                                      |        |         |         |             |         |         |                       |         |         |                           |
| Road Transport                                                                                  | 45     | 4       | 49      | 42          | 5       | 47      | 87                    | 9       | 96      | (d)168                    |
| Shipping                                                                                        | 200    | 11      | 211     | 532         | 13      | 545     | 732                   | 24      | 756     | 376                       |
| Air Transport (in-<br>cluding Mainte-<br>nance of Aircraft)                                     | 105    | 11      | 116     | 234         | 26      | 260     | 339                   | 37      | 376     | 63                        |
| Other                                                                                           | 16     | 2       | 18      | 10          | -       | 10      | 26                    | 2       | 28      | 19                        |
| Total Transport<br>and Storage                                                                  | 366    | 28      | 394     | 818         | 44      | 862     | 1,184                 | 72      | 1,256   | 626                       |
| Communication                                                                                   | 50     | 23      | 73      | 50          | 28      | 78      | 100                   | 51      | 151     | 58                        |
| Finance and Property                                                                            | 42     | 9       | 51      | 80          | 9       | 89      | 122                   | 18      | 140     | 36                        |
| Commerce -                                                                                      |        |         |         |             |         |         |                       |         |         |                           |
| Wholesale Trade<br>(other than Pri-<br>mary Produce and<br>Livestock Dealing)                   | 83     | 25      | 108     | 132         | 35      | 167     | 215                   | 60      | 275     | 105                       |
| Retail Trade (e)                                                                                | 153    | 125     | 278     | 436         | 198     | 634     | 589                   | 323     | 912     | 290                       |
| Other                                                                                           | 16     | 6       | 22      | 29          | 2       | 31      | 45                    | 8       | 53      | 64                        |
| Total Commerce                                                                                  | 252    | 156     | 408     | 597         | 235     | 832     | 849                   | 391     | 1,240   | 459                       |

(9).  
TABLE 8. - INDUSTRY (Contd.).

| Industry Group                                                       | Papua. |         |         | New Guinea. |         |         | Papua and New Guinea. |         |         | Total<br>Persons,<br>1947 |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------|--------|---------|---------|-------------|---------|---------|-----------------------|---------|---------|---------------------------|
|                                                                      | Males  | Females | Persons | Males       | Females | Persons | Males                 | Females | Persons |                           |
| Public Authority<br>(N.E.I.) and Pro-<br>fessional Activ-<br>ities - |        |         |         |             |         |         |                       |         |         |                           |
| Public Authority<br>Activities<br>(N.E.I.)                           | 622    | 187     | 809     | 439         | 84      | 523     | 1,061                 | 271     | 1,332   | 793                       |
| Defence, Enlisted<br>Personnel                                       | 67     | -       | 67      | 573         | 2       | 575     | 640                   | 2       | 642     | 941                       |
| Law, Order and<br>Public Safety                                      | 26     | 5       | 31      | 35          | 4       | 39      | 61                    | 9       | 70      | 51                        |
| Religion and Soc-<br>ial Welfare                                     | 183    | 71      | 254     | 452         | 114     | 566     | 635                   | 185     | 820     | 589                       |
| Health, Hospit-<br>als, etc.                                         | 27     | 98      | 125     | 76          | 162     | 238     | 103                   | 260     | 363     | 160                       |
| Education                                                            | 61     | 89      | 150     | 140         | 129     | 269     | 201                   | 218     | 419     | 109                       |
| Other                                                                | 12     | 7       | 19      | 13          | 6       | 19      | 25                    | 13      | 38      | 42                        |
| Total Public<br>Authority, etc.                                      | 998    | 457     | 1,455   | 1,728       | 501     | 2,229   | 2,726                 | 958     | 3,684   | 2,685                     |
| Amusement, Hotels,<br>Cafes, Personal<br>Service, etc. -             |        |         |         |             |         |         |                       |         |         |                           |
| Amusement, Sport<br>and Recreation                                   | 13     | 5       | 18      | 9           | 3       | 12      | 22                    | 8       | 30      | 19                        |
| Hotels, Cafes,<br>Personal Ser-<br>vice, etc.                        | 23     | 40      | 63      | 46          | 55      | 101     | 69                    | 95      | 164     | 102                       |
| Total Amusement,<br>Hotels, etc.                                     | 36     | 45      | 81      | 55          | 58      | 113     | 91                    | 103     | 194     | 121                       |
| Industry Inadequate-<br>ly Described or<br>Not Stated                | 16     | 9       | 25      | 32          | 21      | 53      | 48                    | 30      | 78      | 189                       |
| Total in Work<br>Force                                               | 3,037  | 770     | 3,807   | 5,499       | 975     | 6,474   | 8,536                 | 1,745   | 10,281  | 5,847                     |
| Persons not in<br>Work Force                                         | 830    | 1,676   | 2,506   | 1,702       | 3,266   | 4,968   | 2,532                 | 4,942   | 7,474   | 3,592                     |
| GRAND TOTAL                                                          | 3,867  | 2,446   | 6,313   | 7,201       | 4,241   | 11,442  | 11,068                | 6,687   | 17,755  | 9,439                     |

- (a) Includes Ship and Boat Building and Marine Engineering; in 1954 included in next item.  
 (b) Includes Motor Engineering in 1954; included with Road Transport in 1947.  
 (c) Production and Supply of Electricity and Gas included with Other Manufacturing; Con-  
 struction and Maintenance and Water Supply included with Building and Construction.  
 (d) Includes (i) Motor Engineering, (ii) Motor Garages and Service Stations, and (iii)  
 Storage, included in 1954 with Manufacturing, Commerce and Transport and Storage -  
 Other, respectively.  
 (e) Includes Motor Garages and Service Stations in 1954; included with Road Transport  
 in 1947.

The numerically largest industry group in Papua and New Guinea at 30th June, 1954 was Public Authority (N.E.I.) and Professional Activities, which accounted for 3,684 persons (36 per cent. of the total work force) and comprised 2,726 males (32 per cent. of the male work force) and 958 females (55 per cent. of the female work force). This was followed by the Transport and Storage group, 1,256 persons (representing 12 per cent. of the total persons in the work force), the Commerce group, 1,240 persons (12 per cent.) and the Building and Construction Group, 1,101 persons (11 per cent.). In 1947 the proportion of these four Industrial Groups to the total work force was as follows:- Public Authority (N.E.I.), etc., 46 per cent.; Transport and Storage, 11 per cent.; Commerce, 8 per cent.; and Building and Construction, 7 per cent.



9. Occupational Status. - The following table sets out details of the Occupational Status of the non-indigenous population (i.e., the capacity in which persons were engaged in the various branches of industry, whether as employer, employee, etc.) of Papua and New Guinea at 30th June, 1954 and at 30th June, 1947.

Of the total persons in the work force in Papua and New Guinea at 30th June, 1954, 8,857 (86 per cent.) were employees, compared with 5,145 (88 per cent.) in 1947; there were 584 employers (5.7 per cent.), compared with 239 (4.1 per cent.) in 1947; and 621 self-employed persons (6.0 per cent.), compared with 360 (6.2 per cent.) in 1947.

Persons not in the work force constituted 42 per cent. of the total non-indigenous population in 1954 compared with 38 per cent. in 1947.

TABLE 9. - TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA: OCCUPATIONAL STATUS OF THE  
POPULATION AT THE CENSUSES OF 1947 AND 1954.  
(Exclusive of Indigenous Population)

| Occupational<br>Status               | Papua. |         |         | New Guinea. |         |         | Papua and New Guinea. |         |         |                           |
|--------------------------------------|--------|---------|---------|-------------|---------|---------|-----------------------|---------|---------|---------------------------|
|                                      | Males  | Females | Persons | Males       | Females | Persons | Males                 | Females | Persons | Total<br>Persons,<br>1947 |
| In Work Force -                      |        |         |         |             |         |         |                       |         |         |                           |
| At Work -                            |        |         |         |             |         |         |                       |         |         |                           |
| Employer                             | 172    | 15      | 187     | 368         | 29      | 397     | 540                   | 44      | 584     | 239                       |
| Self-Employed                        | 89     | 13      | 102     | 443         | 76      | 519     | 532                   | 89      | 621     | 360                       |
| Employee                             | 2,730  | 719     | 3,449   | 4,601       | 807     | 5,408   | 7,331                 | 1,526   | 8,857   | 5,145                     |
| Helper (not on<br>wage or<br>salary) | 5      | 10      | 15      | 39          | 41      | 80      | 44                    | 51      | 95      | 9                         |
| Total                                | 2,996  | 757     | 3,753   | 5,451       | 953     | 6,404   | 8,447                 | 1,710   | 10,157  | 5,753                     |
| Not at Work                          | 27     | 11      | 38      | 37          | 12      | 49      | 64                    | 23      | 87      | 68                        |
| Not Stated                           | 14     | 2       | 16      | 11          | 10      | 21      | 25                    | 12      | 37      | 26                        |
| Total in Work Force                  | 3,037  | 770     | 3,807   | 5,499       | 975     | 6,474   | 8,536                 | 1,745   | 10,281  | 5,847                     |
| Not in Work Force                    | 830    | 1,676   | 2,506   | 1,702       | 3,266   | 4,968   | 2,532                 | 4,942   | 7,474   | 3,592                     |
| GRAND TOTAL                          | 3,867  | 2,446   | 6,313   | 7,201       | 4,241   | 11,442  | 11,068                | 6,687   | 17,755  | 9,439                     |

PART B. - DWELLINGS OF THE NON-INDIGENOUS POPULATION IN THE TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA, CENSUS, 30TH JUNE, 1954.

10. Dwellings according to Class. - For the purpose of the Census a "dwelling" is any habitation occupied by a household group living together as a domestic unit, whether comprising the whole or only part of a building. The term has therefore a very wide reference and includes, in addition to houses and flats, a great variety of "dwellings" ranging from a single-roomed shack to a multi-roomed hotel or institution.

- Occupied dwellings are classified into private and other dwellings.

Private dwellings comprise mainly private houses (including sheds, huts, garages, etc. used for dwelling purposes) shares of private houses, flats, and rooms, apartments, etc. In previous Censuses dwellings returned on the schedules as sheds, huts, garages, etc. were included with private houses. In the table following these dwellings are shown as a separate group in 1954, but in other tables are linked with private houses to preserve continuity with past Census results. Separate particulars were shown in the 1947 Census publications for private houses which were shared by two or more family units and for which only one Householder's Schedule was received, but in 1954 these dwellings were included with private houses.

"Share of Private House" is a portion of a shared private house which is occupied separately and for which portion a separate Householder's Schedule was furnished.

"Flat" is part of a house or other building which can be completely closed off and which includes both cooking and bathing facilities.

"Other" private dwelling is an apartment, room(s), etc., which is part of a building but is not a self-contained unit.

"Dwellings other than Private" include Hotels, Boarding Houses, Lodging Houses, Hostels, Hospitals, Educational, Religious and Charitable Institutions, Defence and Penal Establishments, etc.

"Unoccupied Dwellings" consist mainly of dwellings whose usual occupants were temporarily absent on the night of the Census; they also include newly completed dwellings awaiting occupation.

TABLE 10. - TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA: DWELLINGS ACCORDING TO CLASS AT THE CENSUSES OF 1947 AND 1954.

(Exclusive of dwellings occupied solely by Indigenous Population)

| Class of Dwelling                  | Census, 30th June, 1947 |            |                      | Census, 30th June, 1954 |            |                      |
|------------------------------------|-------------------------|------------|----------------------|-------------------------|------------|----------------------|
|                                    | Papua                   | New Guinea | Papua and New Guinea | Papua                   | New Guinea | Papua and New Guinea |
| Occupied Dwellings (a) -           |                         |            |                      |                         |            |                      |
| Private Dwellings (a) -            |                         |            |                      |                         |            |                      |
| Private House -                    |                         |            |                      |                         |            |                      |
| House                              | 682                     | 1,258      | 1,940                | 1,315                   | 2,816      | 4,131                |
| Shed, Hut, etc. (a)                |                         |            |                      | 91                      | 68         | 159                  |
| Total Private Houses               | 682                     | 1,258      | 1,940                | 1,406                   | 2,884      | 4,290                |
| Share of Private House (a)         | 17                      | 56         | 73                   | 25                      | 42         | 67                   |
| Flat (a)                           | 8                       | -          | 8                    | 73                      | 27         | 100                  |
| Other (a)                          | -                       | -          | -                    | 14                      | -          | 14                   |
| Total Private Dwellings            | 707                     | 1,314      | 2,021                | 1,518                   | 2,953      | 4,471                |
| Dwellings other than Private (a) - |                         |            |                      |                         |            |                      |
| Hotel, Licensed                    | 1                       | 2          | 3                    | 4                       | 9          | 13                   |
| Boarding House, etc.               | 11                      | 7          | 18                   | 15                      | 19         | 34                   |
| Other                              | 51                      | 68         | 119                  | 68                      | 117        | 185                  |
| Total Other Dwellings              | 63                      | 77         | 140                  | 87                      | 145        | 232                  |
| GRAND TOTAL OCCUPIED DWELLINGS     | 770                     | 1,391      | 2,161                | 1,605                   | 3,098      | 4,703                |
| Unoccupied Dwellings (a)           | 6                       | 7          | 13                   | 66                      | 104        | 170                  |

(a) See explanations above.



11. Dwellings According to Material of Outer Walls. - Occupied private dwellings in Papua and New Guinea increased from 2,021 in 1947 to 4,471 at 30th June, 1954, an increase of 121 per cent. Wooden private dwellings increased by 344 per cent. to 1,436 (a numerical increase of 1,113); Fibro-cement by 447 per cent. to 1,225 (increase of 1,001); and Iron by 104 per cent. to 866 (increase of 441).

The proportion of Wooden occupied private dwellings to the total number of occupied private dwellings in Papua and New Guinea in 1954 was 32 per cent., Fibro-cement accounted for 27 per cent., and Iron for 19 per cent. In 1947 the proportions were Wood, 16 per cent., Fibro-cement, 11 per cent. and Iron, 21 per cent. Fibro-cement dwellings are the most numerous in Papua, and wooden in New Guinea.

TABLE 11. - TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA: OCCUPIED PRIVATE DWELLINGS  
CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO MATERIAL OF OUTER WALLS AT THE CENSUSES  
OF 1947 AND 1954.

(Exclusive of dwellings occupied solely by Indigenous Population)

| Material of Outer Walls | Census, 30th June, 1947 |                                    |                                  | Census, 30th June, 1954 |                                    |                                  |
|-------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| <u>P A P U A.</u>       |                         |                                    |                                  |                         |                                    |                                  |
| —                       | Private House (a)       | Share of Private House, Flat, etc. | Total Occupied Private Dwellings | Private House (a)       | Share of Private House, Flat, etc. | Total Occupied Private Dwellings |
| Brick, Stone, Concrete  | 2                       | 1                                  | 3                                | 12                      | 1                                  | 13                               |
| Wood                    | 123                     | 4                                  | 127                              | 346                     | 8                                  | 354                              |
| Iron                    | 109                     | 3                                  | 112                              | 151                     | 14                                 | 165                              |
| Fibro-cement            | 188                     | 11                                 | 199                              | 592                     | 84                                 | 676                              |
| Other and Not Stated    | 260                     | 6                                  | 266                              | 305                     | 5                                  | 310                              |
| TOTAL                   | 682                     | 25                                 | 707                              | 1,406                   | 112                                | 1,518                            |

NEW GUINEA.

| —                      | Private House (a) | Share of Private House, Flat, etc. | Total Occupied Private Dwellings | Private House (a) | Share of Private House, Flat, etc. | Total Occupied Private Dwellings |
|------------------------|-------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Brick, Stone, Concrete | 1                 | —                                  | 1                                | 7                 | 1                                  | 8                                |
| Wood                   | 189               | 7                                  | 196                              | 1,063             | 19                                 | 1,082                            |
| Iron                   | 295               | 18                                 | 313                              | 680               | 21                                 | 701                              |
| Fibro-cement           | 24                | 1                                  | 25                               | 527               | 22                                 | 549                              |
| Other and Not Stated   | 749               | 30                                 | 779                              | 607               | 6                                  | 613                              |
| TOTAL                  | 1,258             | 56                                 | 1,314                            | 2,884             | 69                                 | 2,953                            |

(a) Includes Sheds, Huts, etc.

12. Dwellings according to Number of Rooms. - The greatest increases (both numerical and proportional) in the numbers of occupied private houses in Papua and New Guinea since the 1947 Census occurred in the 3, 4, 5 and 6-roomed houses, which increased by 176 per cent. Flats showed considerable increases in the 3, 4 and 5-roomed groups.

There were at 30th June, 1954, 3,737 occupied private dwellings in Papua and New Guinea in the 3 to 6 room groups. This represented 84 per cent. of all occupied private dwellings (compared with 67 per cent. in 1947).

TABLE 12. - TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA: OCCUPIED PRIVATE DWELLINGS  
CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO NUMBER OF ROOMS AT THE CENSUSES  
OF 1947 AND 1954.

(Exclusive of dwellings occupied solely by Indigenous Population)

| Number of Rooms | Census, 30th June, 1947 |                                    |                                  | Census, 30th June, 1954 |                                    |                                  |
|-----------------|-------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| P A P U A.      |                         |                                    |                                  |                         |                                    |                                  |
| —               | Private House (a)       | Share of Private House, Flat, etc. | Total Occupied Private Dwellings | Private House (a)       | Share of Private House, Flat, etc. | Total Occupied Private Dwellings |
| 1               | 46                      | 3                                  | 49                               | 45                      | 12                                 | 57                               |
| 2               | 46                      | 2                                  | 48                               | 78                      | 14                                 | 92                               |
| 3               | 104                     | 12                                 | 116                              | 200                     | 34                                 | 234                              |
| 4               | 185                     | 5                                  | 190                              | 444                     | 29                                 | 473                              |
| 5               | 110                     | 2                                  | 112                              | 383                     | 19                                 | 402                              |
| 6               | 53                      | 1                                  | 54                               | 150                     | 3                                  | 153                              |
| 7               | 22                      | —                                  | 22                               | 49                      | 1                                  | 50                               |
| 8               | 8                       | —                                  | 8                                | 26                      | —                                  | 26                               |
| 9               | 7                       | —                                  | 7                                | 16                      | —                                  | 16                               |
| 10              | 1                       | —                                  | 1                                | 4                       | —                                  | 4                                |
| 11 and over     | 7                       | —                                  | 7                                | 6                       | —                                  | 6                                |
| Not Stated      | 93                      | —                                  | 93                               | 5                       | —                                  | 5                                |
| TOTAL           | 682                     | 25                                 | 707                              | 1,406                   | 112                                | 1,518                            |

| N E W G U I N E A. |                   |                                    |                                  |                   |                                    |                                  |
|--------------------|-------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| —                  | Private House (a) | Share of Private House, Flat, etc. | Total Occupied Private Dwellings | Private House (a) | Share of Private House, Flat, etc. | Total Occupied Private Dwellings |
| 1                  | 105               | 11                                 | 116                              | 76                | 5                                  | 81                               |
| 2                  | 226               | 24                                 | 250                              | 228               | 12                                 | 240                              |
| 3                  | 350               | 11                                 | 361                              | 533               | 21                                 | 554                              |
| 4                  | 296               | 7                                  | 303                              | 969               | 23                                 | 992                              |
| 5                  | 145               | 2                                  | 147                              | 654               | 7                                  | 661                              |
| 6                  | 60                | 1                                  | 61                               | 268               | —                                  | 268                              |
| 7                  | 21                | —                                  | 21                               | 96                | —                                  | 96                               |
| 8                  | 10                | —                                  | 10                               | 28                | 1                                  | 29                               |
| 9                  | 3                 | —                                  | 3                                | 16                | —                                  | 16                               |
| 10                 | —                 | —                                  | —                                | 7                 | —                                  | 7                                |
| 11 and over        | 1                 | —                                  | 1                                | 2                 | —                                  | 2                                |
| Not Stated         | 41                | —                                  | 41                               | 7                 | —                                  | 7                                |
| TOTAL              | 1,258             | 56                                 | 1,314                            | 2,884             | 69                                 | 2,953                            |

(a) Includes Sheds, Huts, etc.

13. Dwellings according to Number of Inmates. - Occupied private dwellings in Papua and New Guinea with 2 inmates increased by 115 per cent. (617 dwellings) from 536 in 1947 to 1,153 in 1954, this being the largest numerical increase of any group over 1947 figures. The proportional increases in dwellings with 1, 3 and 4 inmates were 109 per cent., 127 per cent., and 197 per cent. respectively.

At the 30th June, 1954 there were 3,714 occupied private dwellings in Papua and New Guinea (or 83 per cent. of the total) with 4 inmates or less, compared with 1,635 such dwellings (81 per cent.) in 1947. The average number of inmates for total occupied private dwellings in Papua increased from 2.84 in 1947 to 2.93 in 1954; for New Guinea the average number decreased from 3.13 to 2.97.



TABLE 13. - TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA: OCCUPIED PRIVATE DWELLINGS  
CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO NUMBER OF INMATES AT THE CENSUSES OF 1947 AND 1954.  
(Exclusive of dwellings occupied solely by Indigenous Population)

| Number of Inmates  | Census, 30th June, 1947 |                                    |                                  | Census, 30th June, 1954 |                                    |                                  |
|--------------------|-------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| P A P U A.         |                         |                                    |                                  |                         |                                    |                                  |
| —                  | Private House (a)       | Share of Private House, Flat, etc. | Total Occupied Private Dwellings | Private House (a)       | Share of Private House, Flat, etc. | Total Occupied Private Dwellings |
| 1                  | 172                     | 3                                  | 175                              | 280                     | 27                                 | 307                              |
| 2                  | 185                     | 8                                  | 193                              | 397                     | 39                                 | 436                              |
| 3                  | 143                     | 6                                  | 149                              | 300                     | 23                                 | 323                              |
| 4                  | 78                      | 6                                  | 84                               | 217                     | 15                                 | 232                              |
| 5                  | 50                      | 1                                  | 51                               | 105                     | 3                                  | 108                              |
| 6                  | 25                      | —                                  | 25                               | 46                      | 4                                  | 50                               |
| 7                  | 9                       | 1                                  | 10                               | 26                      | —                                  | 26                               |
| 8                  | 8                       | —                                  | 8                                | 15                      | 1                                  | 16                               |
| 9                  | 5                       | —                                  | 5                                | 5                       | —                                  | 5                                |
| 10 and over        | 7                       | —                                  | 7                                | 15                      | —                                  | 15                               |
| TOTAL              | 682                     | 25                                 | 707                              | 1,406                   | 112                                | 1,518                            |
| N E W G U I N E A. |                         |                                    |                                  |                         |                                    |                                  |
| —                  | Private House (a)       | Share of Private House, Flat, etc. | Total Occupied Private Dwellings | Private House (a)       | Share of Private House, Flat, etc. | Total Occupied Private Dwellings |
| 1                  | 316                     | 19                                 | 335                              | 745                     | 15                                 | 760                              |
| 2                  | 332                     | 11                                 | 343                              | 694                     | 23                                 | 717                              |
| 3                  | 210                     | 9                                  | 219                              | 503                     | 11                                 | 514                              |
| 4                  | 133                     | 4                                  | 137                              | 420                     | 5                                  | 425                              |
| 5                  | 79                      | 5                                  | 84                               | 250                     | 5                                  | 255                              |
| 6                  | 61                      | 2                                  | 63                               | 118                     | 6                                  | 124                              |
| 7                  | 46                      | 3                                  | 49                               | 63                      | 2                                  | 65                               |
| 8                  | 48                      | 1                                  | 49                               | 44                      | 1                                  | 45                               |
| 9                  | 17                      | 1                                  | 18                               | 20                      | —                                  | 20                               |
| 10 and over        | 16                      | 1                                  | 17                               | 27                      | 1                                  | 28                               |
| TOTAL              | 1,258                   | 56                                 | 1,314                            | 2,884                   | 69                                 | 2,953                            |

(a) Includes Sheds, Huts, etc.

14. Dwellings according to Nature of Occupancy. - Of all occupied private dwellings in Papua and New Guinea at 30th June, 1954, 1,175 (or 26.3 per cent.) were occupied by owners, 13 (or 0.3 per cent.) by purchasers by instalments, 2,563 (or 57.3 per cent.) by tenants and 720 (or 16.1 per cent.) by other methods of occupancy (including not stated). At 30th June, 1947 the respective proportions were, owners, (34.5 per cent.); purchasers by instalments, (0.1 per cent.); tenants, (39.3 per cent.); and other methods (including not stated), (26.1 per cent.). The number of occupied private dwellings in Papua and New Guinea with owner occupants increased by 69 per cent. between 1947 and 1954 and the number of tenant occupied dwellings by 222 per cent.

TABLE 14. - TERRITORY OF PAPUA AND NEW GUINEA: OCCUPIED PRIVATE DWELLINGS CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO NATURE OF OCCUPANCY AT THE CENSUSES OF 1947 AND 1954.  
(Exclusive of dwellings occupied solely by Indigenous Population)

| Nature of Occupancy                       | Census, 30th June, 1947 |                                    |                                  | Census, 30th June, 1954 |                                    |                                  |
|-------------------------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| P A P U A.                                |                         |                                    |                                  |                         |                                    |                                  |
| —                                         | Private House (a)       | Share of Private House, Flat, etc. | Total Occupied Private Dwellings | Private House (a)       | Share of Private House, Flat, etc. | Total Occupied Private Dwellings |
| Owner                                     | 152                     | 1                                  | 153                              | 284                     | 10                                 | 294                              |
| Purchaser by Instalments                  | 1                       | —                                  | 1                                | 5                       | —                                  | 5                                |
| Tenant                                    | 292                     | 19                                 | 311                              | 901                     | 96                                 | 997                              |
| Caretaker                                 | 28                      | 2                                  | 30                               | 35                      | 2                                  | 37                               |
| Other and Not Stated Methods of Occupancy | 209                     | 3                                  | 212                              | 181                     | 4                                  | 185                              |
| TOTAL                                     | 682                     | 25                                 | 707                              | 1,406                   | 112                                | 1,518                            |

TABLE 14. - OCCUPIED PRIVATE DWELLINGS (Contd.).

| Nature of Occupancy                       | Census, 30th June, 1947 |                                    |                                  | Census, 30th June, 1954 |                                    |                                  |
|-------------------------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| <u>NEW GUINEA.</u>                        |                         |                                    |                                  |                         |                                    |                                  |
| —                                         | Private House (a)       | Share of Private House, Flat, etc. | Total Occupied Private Dwellings | Private House (a)       | Share of Private House, Flat, etc. | Total Occupied Private Dwellings |
| Owner                                     | 514                     | 30                                 | 544                              | 871                     | 10                                 | 881                              |
| Purchaser by Instalments                  | 1                       | —                                  | 1                                | 8                       | —                                  | 8                                |
| Tenant                                    | 468                     | 16                                 | 484                              | 1,511                   | 55                                 | 1,566                            |
| Caretaker                                 | 27                      | —                                  | 27                               | 77                      | —                                  | 77                               |
| Other and Not Stated Methods of Occupancy | 248                     | 10                                 | 258                              | 417                     | 4                                  | 421                              |
| TOTAL                                     | 1,258                   | 56                                 | 1,314                            | 2,884                   | 69                                 | 2,953                            |

(a) Includes Sheds, Huts, etc.

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